

**DRAFT MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD WORKSHOP**

Central Office Auditorium
1221 East Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia
February 17, 2010
12:00 p.m.

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Office Auditorium of the Virginia Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia, on February 17, 2010. The Chairman, Sean T. Connaughton, presided and called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Dickens, Keen, Koelemay, Layne, Martin, McCarthy, Schwartz, Sterling, White, Ms. Pandak, Mrs. Carter and; Vice Chairman Whirley and Ms. Drake, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: None

Chairman Connaughton began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to hearing the workshop items, Chairman Connaughton shared with the Board that under the New Business section of the Action meeting there were three resolutions commending former Secretary of Transportation, Pierce R. Homer, former Transportation Commissioner, David S. Ekern, and former Department of Rail and Public Transportation Director, Charles “Chip” Badger for their service to the Commonwealth. The Chairman further asked if these resolutions could be brought forward for a vote, as Mr. Homer was present at the meeting. With no objection from the Board, these items were brought forward from the New Business section of the Action meeting and voted on.

New Business Item 1. Action on Resolution Commending the Honorable Pierce R. Homer for his service to the Commonwealth.

Referenced by attachment of resolution.
Made by Mr. Davies, Seconded by Ms. Pandak.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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New Business Item 2. Action on Resolution Commending David Ekern for his service to the Commonwealth.

Referenced by attachment of resolution.
Made by Mr. Davies, Seconded by Ms. Pandak.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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New Business Item 3. Action on Resolution Commending Charles “Chip” Badger for his service to the Commonwealth.

Referenced by attachment of resolution.
Made by Mr. Davies, Seconded by Ms. Pandak.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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1. Federal Reauthorization
Second Stimulus Package
The Honorable Jeannemarie Davis, Director, Virginia Liaison Office

Prior to hearing the next workshop item, the Chairman recognized Charles “Chip” Badger, who was in attendance at the meeting. Chairman Connaughton read to Mr. Badger from the resolution that was approved earlier in the meeting, recognizing Mr. Badger’s service to the Commonwealth.

2. ARRA Update
Reta Busher, Virginia Department of Transportation
Steve Pittard, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
3. Richmond/Hampton Roads Passenger Rail Project Update
Kevin Page, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.

Mr. McCarthy commended Mr. Page, Ms. Drake and Norfolk Southern for their sensitivity to the Environmental concerns voiced by Mr. McCarthy during the January CTB Workshop.

Chairman Connaughton shared information he just received regarding Tiger Grants specifically that the largest recipient in the nation was Illinois at 10%, which beat out even the largest state, California.

4. Broad Street Rapid Transit Study Update
John Lewis, Chief Executive Officer, GRTC
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
5. Columbia Pike Transfer
Richard Walton on behalf of Mike Estes, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
6. Enhancement Program Review
Julie Brown on behalf of Mike Estes, Virginia Department of Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.
7. Surface Transportation Plan Update
Brad Shelton, Virginia Department of Transportation
Amy Inman, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
Referenced by attachment of presentation.

8. Legislation Update

Richard Walton, Virginia Department of Transportation

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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m. on February 17, 2010. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 17, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the VDOT Central Auditorium in Richmond, Virginia, 1221 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA.

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